

Washington, D.C. - Today Congresswoman Melissa Bean announced that her office has started taking entries for the 2007 Congressional art competition, An Artistic Discovery. The program allows Members of Congress to select one outstanding piece of artwork from their district. The winning entry will be displayed in the U.S. Capitol's Cannon Tunnel, where it will be viewed by thousands including Members of Congress and Capitol visitors.

The winning artist will be invited to attend a national reception in Washington, DC honoring award recipients from across the country. An Artistic Discovery creates a unique opportunity to showcase budding local talent as well as promote and reinforce the importance of art education in high school.

All entries must be submitted to Congresswoman Bean's district office no later than Wednesday, May 2nd. The entries will be judged in the district and the winning piece will be sent to Washington, DC for display in the Capitol. Remaining entries will be displayed in the district office for one year. Any questions regarding specific rules and guidelines should be directed to the district office at (847) 519-3434.

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